GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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Life Saving Drugs on EMI
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(a) whether the pharmaceutical companies propose to provide life saving drugs on EMI so that expensive medicines could be made available at affordable prices, if so, the details thereof; and

(b) whether it is difficult to bear the expenses of patented drugs due to lack of health insurances in the country, if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a): The Department of Pharmaceuticals does not have of any proposal for providing life saving drugs on EMI so that expensive medicines could be made available at affordable prices.

(b): Patented medicines are costly. However, Generics of the same therapeutic category are available in the market which are much cheaper than the patented medicines.

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